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SUMMARY

In December 1967, several members of Company 3, VC Battalion 6 were sent for 15 days training at an installation in a forest in the BA THU area, CAMBODIA, adjacent to the CAMBODIA/SVN border. About ten days later Company 3, Commander arrived and ordered them to cease training and temporarily disguise themselves as local inhabitants as a U.S. press delegation was coming to observe the situation as GVN accusations were that Cambodian territory was sheltering liberation troops. They resumed their training after four or five days when the U.S. delegation did not show up.

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1. In December 1967, several members of Company 3, VC Battalion 6 were sent for military training at an installation in a forest in the BA THU area, CAMBODIA, adjacent to the CAMBODIA/SVN border. Nearby was a dispensary for VC wounded. The instructors were military cadres sent from COSVN regional level and included among the instructors were: BAO, BA DEN, TU HEN and LAM. The installation could only receive about 50 recruits and the training period was about 15 days.

2. The installation consisted of two buildings measuring 4 x 8 meters which were used as teaching conference halls. During training the VC recruits went daily to conference hall for study and to neighboring forests for military practive. At night they slept in the houses of the local people most of whom were Vietnamese. Duty attendants were responsible for their food.

3. Shortly after the members of VC Battalion 6 arrived at this installation in December, they were advised not to leave the premises. Two days later two Cambodian soldiers came to the installation and asked them if they were from SVN. Ten days later, TY, the Company Commander of Company 3, Battalion 6, arrived and told them training was to be stopped temporarily and they were to disguide themselves as local inhabitants. The explanation was that the Cambodian government was permitting a U.S. press delegation to come there to observe the situation because of GVN accusations that Cambodiam territory was sheltering liberation troops. However, after waiting four or five days for the U.S. delegation which did not show up, the training was resumed.

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